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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Todd J. Kilkenny

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Todd J. Kilkenny.

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(2) Brian Diekhoff.

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Date of Interview: 29 August 2001.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Kobiella.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

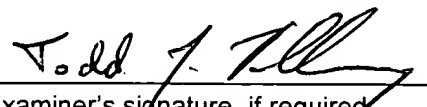
Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview(if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative submitted a proposed amendment to claim 1 and argued that the proposed added limitation of the bonding lines being perpendicular to the lengthwise direction of some of the strips would overcome the Kobiella reference. Applicant's representative further argued that although the amendment was not in the claims prior to the final rejection, it should be given consideration as it was implicit as discussed in applicant's response filed to the first office action. Examiner stated that the proposed amendment seemed to raise new issues not previously claimed and may not be entered upon filing of the proposed amendment.